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RECORD OF DISCUSSIONONTHE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND OF THE CHINA COMMITTEE21st July, 1960

Present: Belgium (Luxembourg), Denmark, France, Germany, Italy,
Japan, Norway, United Kingdom, United States.

1. The FRENCH Delegate stated that, following an exchange of letters between His Excellency Ambassador Cosmelli and the Chairman of the Consultative Group, Monsieur Wormser, Director of the Economics and Finance Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the latter had informed Heads of Delegations to the Consultative Group that the name of Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona had been put forward as the candidate for the post of Chairman of the Coordinating Committee and of the China Committee in place of Monsieur Ungaro, who had been recalled to Rome. With the exception of those of Denmark, Greece and Portugal, from whom no official reply had as yet been received, all Member Governments, while expressing their regret at Monsieur Ungaro's departure, had now declared themselves in favour of the election of Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona. The Delegate added that the three Delegations of Denmark, Greece and Portugal had agreed verbally to the candidature of Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona.

2. The ITALIAN Delegate thanked the French Delegate for the official confirmation he had just given of the agreement reached regarding the appointment of an official of the Italian Government to occupy the Chair of the Coordinating and China Committees. This choice was an honour for the Italian Government and the Delegate expressed gratitude to the Committee in the name of the Italian authorities and also on behalf of Monsieur Massimo Casilli d'Aragona.

3. Taking note of the regrets expressed by Member Governments' Delegates to the Consultative Group on the occasion of Monsieur Ungaro's departure, the COORDINATING COMMITTEE noted that - three written confirmations being still awaited - the Consultative Group had unanimously elected Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona as the successor to Monsieur Ungaro in the post of Chairman of the Coordinating Committee and of the China Committee.

Annexes: Copies of letters exchanged between the Chairman of the Consultative Group, Monsieur Wormser, and the Heads of Delegations to the Consultative Group.

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Copy of a letter
from the Head of the ITALIAN Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group..

ANNEX 1 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Paris, 8th June 1960

I have the honour to inform you that the Italian authorities have decided to transfer Monsieur Mario UNGARO, Counsellor of Legation, at present Chairman of COCOM, to new duties in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In consequence, after the Annual Recess Monsieur Ungaro will not be able to resume his duties as Chairman at the beginning of September next.

At the same time, to comply with the desire expressed unofficially by a number of Delegates to COCOM, the Italian Government would be prepared to ensure the continuity of the Chairmanship by taking steps to replace M. Ungaro. To this effect my Authorities would be ready to designate a diplomatic official of the same rank, Monsieur Massimo CASILLI D'ARAGONA, whose curriculum vitae I am sending you herewith.

Should the Committee accept this designation, Monsieur Casilli - after having made the necessary arrangements with the outgoing Chairman - could enter upon his new duties as from the 1st September next.

In consequence I would ask you, in your capacity as Chairman of the Consultative Group, to be good enough to ask for the official views of the Members of that Group on the designation of Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona.

I have the honour, etc....

G. COSMELLI.

Head of the Permanent
Delegation of Italy
to the O.E.E.C.

Copy of a letter
from the CHAIRMAN of the CONSULTATIVE GROUP
to the Head of the Italian Delegation.

ANNEX 2 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Paris, 13th June 1960.

You kindly informed me, in a letter dated the 8th June, that Monsieur Mario Ungaro, Counsellor of Legation, Chairman of the Coordinating Committee, having been recalled by your Government for other duties, would no longer be able to continue to direct the work of the Committee at the beginning of September next.

I can but regret the departure of Monsieur Ungaro, who has always fulfilled the mission which had been entrusted to him with much distinction.

I would ask you to thank the Italian authorities for their readiness to arrange for the replacement of Monsieur Ungaro by an official of the same rank, to meet the wishes unofficially expressed by a number of Delegates to COCOM.

In conformity with your suggestion, I intend to consult the members of the Consultative Group and shall not fail to let you know their official views on the candidature of M. Casilli d'Aragona.

I have the honour, etc....

C. WORMSER.

Director-General of the
Economics and Finance
Division,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the GERMAN Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 3 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Bonn, 10th June 1960.

I have the honour to thank you for your letter of the 10th June, 1960, informing me that the Italian Government has decided to call M. Mario Ungaro, Counsellor of Legation, Chairman of the Coordinating Committee, to fulfil other duties, and that the Italian authorities would be prepared to assure the Chairmanship once more by arranging for M. Ungaro to be replaced by M. Massimo Casilli d'Aragona.

I regret the departure of M. Ungaro, who has carried out the duties of Chairman of the Coordinating Committee with much competence and tact. I shall not fail to express to him in person my own thanks and those of the German Delegation.

M. Massimo Casilli d'Aragona - judging by the contents of his curriculum vitae - will certainly be able to carry out the duties of Chairman of the Coordinating Committee.

I therefore have the honour to inform you that the Delegation of the German Federal Republic will support the candidature of M. Casilli d'Aragona.

I have the honour, etc....

Dr. von Zahn Stranik

Minister Plenipotentiary.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the BELGIAN Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 4 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Brussels, 29th June 1960.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th June, regarding the replacement of M. UNGARO, Chairman of the Coordinating Committee, by M. Massimo CASILLI d'ARAGONA, Counsellor of Legation.

While expressing my regret at the departure of M. Ungaro, who for several years has presided over the meetings of COCOM to the entire satisfaction of all member countries, I have gladly supported the candidature of M. Casilli d'Aragona.

The latter's career justifies my belief that he will be perfectly capable of assuming with all the required competence the delicate task of Chairman of the Coordinating Committee.

I have the honour, etc....

P.A. FORTHOMME

Director-General
of Foreign Trade.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the CANADIAN Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 5 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Paris, 20th June 1960.

In the absence of Ambassador Léger,
I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of the note dated
the 13th June 1960 which you kindly sent to him regarding
the replacement of Monsieur Mario Ungaro by Monsieur Massimo
Casilli d'Aragona, as Chairman of the Coordinating Committee.

I am in a position to give you my
Government's warm agreement to this proposal.

I have the honour, etc....

Peter M. Towe

Deputy to the
Permanent Representative.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the UNITED STATES Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 6 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Paris.

June 17, 1960.

I have received your letter of June 13, 1960, informing me that the Italian Government has decided to reassign Monsieur Mario Ungaro, President of the Coordinating Committee, to other duties and that the Italian authorities have indicated a readiness to assign Monsieur Massimo Casilli d'Aragona to replace Monsieur Ungaro in that position. I appreciate your courtesy in enclosing biographic data concerning Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona.

While we are indeed sorry to lose the valued services of Monsieur Ungaro, it is gratifying to note the Italian Government's willingness to continue to assume the responsibility of providing a Chairman for this Committee. I am pleased to concur in the designation of Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona to fill this position.

Sincerely yours,

Frederick E. Nolting, Jr.
Acting Chief of Mission

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the JAPANESE Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 7 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

18th June, 1960.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of the note dated the 13th June 1960 in which you kindly informed me that the Italian Government had decided to recall Monsieur Mario UNGARO, Chairman of COCOM, and asked my views on the candidature of the successor envisaged by the Italian Authorities.

I hasten to inform you that the Japanese authorities have no objection to the candidature of Monsieur Massimo Casilli d'Aragona. In so doing, I wish to express to you my authorities' regrets at the departure of Monsieur Ungaro, the value of whose services we have been able to appreciate during his term of office as Chairman.

I have the honour, etc....

Konsuke SATO

Japanese Delegate to
the Consultative Group.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the NORWEGIAN Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 8 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Paris, 22nd July 1960.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 13th June regarding the change of President of the Coordinating Committee. While greatly regretting that Monsieur Mario Ungaro's activities in the Committee have come to an end, I have pleasure in informing you that the competent Norwegian authorities fully support the candidature of M. Massimo Casilli d'Aragona for the Chairmanship of the Committee.

I would make use of this opportunity to inform you that M. Sommerfeld has just been appointed Ambassador to the European Free Trade Association (E.F.T.A.) in Geneva, and that his place in the Consultative Group of the Coordinating Committee has been taken by M. Jahn Halvorsen, Director of the Economics Division in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Oslo.

I have the honour, etc....

for M. Halvorsen
NIELS L. DAHL

First Secretary of Embassy.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the NETHERLANDS Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 9 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

S.Gravenhage, 29th June 1960.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th June 1960, in which you communicated to me the Italian Government's decision to call M. Ungaro, Chairman of the Coordinating Committee, to other duties.

I should like to express my regret that M. Ungaro will no longer be able to preside over COCOM, for he has always directed COCOM's work in an excellent manner.

I am happy to learn that the Italian authorities are prepared to assure the Chairmanship once more by the seconding of M. Massimo Casilli d'Aragona.

I have pleasure in stating my agreement to the nomination of M. Casilli.

I have the honour, etc....

W.P.H. van OORSCHOT

Director-General of Foreign
Economic Relations.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the UNITED KINGDOM Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 10 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Paris.

June 18, 1960.

Thank you very much for your letter of the
13th of June informing me that the Italian authorities
have proposed that Monsieur Massimo Casilli d'Aragona
should replace Monsieur Mario Ungaro as Chairman of
the Coordinating Committee. I would like to inform
you that the appointment of Monsieur Casilli d'Aragona
as Chairman is entirely acceptable to the United
Kingdom authorities.

I have the honour etc.....

R.S. Crawford

United Kingdom Delegate to
the Consultative Group.

Copy of a letter
from the Head of the TURKISH Delegation
to the Chairman of the Consultative Group.

ANNEX 11 to
COCOM Document 4099 B

Ankara, 25th June 1960.

Having recently been appointed
Director-General of the Economic and Commercial Division
of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and at the same time
Turkish Delegate to the Consultative Group, I have the
honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter addressed
to M. Gökmen, regarding the chairmanship of COCOM.

Allow me to express my satisfaction
for the Italian authorities' courtesy in meeting the wishes
expressed by a number of Delegates to COCOM concerning the
candidature of M. d'Aragona.

I hasten to inform you that my
Government would be happy to see M. d'Aragona assume the
chairmanship of COCOM.

I have the honour, etc....

Mehmet BAYDUR

Turkish Delegate to
the Consultative Group.